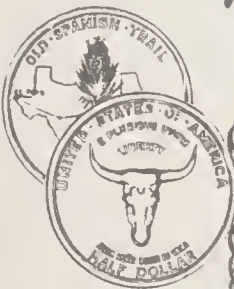


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### DON'T DELAY

We hope everyone is planning to submit articles on Texas money, tokens, medals, paper, etc. in celebration of Texas' Sesquicentennial. Those published in 1986 will be eligible for the special award to be given in 1987. Get them in the mail to the TNA NEWS editor.

# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

2901 Silverleaf Dr.  
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512/452-2675



Fellow Members - your secretary, my wife, has asked that I thank those of you who have paid your dues so very promptly. Dues appear to have been coming in at a better rate than most years at this same time. It certainly does save your secretary a lot of time, and the association a lot of postage when so many members pay on time. Your president thanks you, as well!

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Entries may still be made for the Col. Raymond Darrah Award. Details for this award may be found in several recent issues of the **TNA NEWS**. Each year the award is donated by Morris L. Johnson, governor of District 1.

A recurring problem is that of which officer receives information of which type. Just a gentle reminder that changes of address and all dues are to be sent to the secretary. Payments for advertising and all articles for publication in the **TNA NEWS** are to be sent to the editor. To do otherwise will simply delay any necessary action.

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When you read this, your 1986 convention in Fort Worth will be only about 2½ months away. I hope that you have already made your plans to attend. If not, please do so, for this promises to be one of the best conventions ever. Hope to see you there.

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# THE CASE FOR THE CIRCULATED COIN

Bill Bailey,  
Corpus Christi, TX.

In every facet of numismatics we are conditioned from the very beginning to look for the perfect coin - the coin without a blemish, the flawless, brilliant gem! And, oh, how we strive to do just that, searching endlessly for that specimen that shows not a mark on its pristine surface - neither a bag mark, ding or plain old dirt marring its flawless appearance. I must confess that I admire these "sterile" gems as much as anyone and, like everyone else, strive to add them to my collection.

But the key work in the foregoing statement is "sterile" gems as much as anyone and, like everyone else, strive to add them to my collection.

But the key word in the foregoing statement is "sterile" for these coins of beauty surely are sterile in the fact that they have lain in someone's safe, lockbox or dresser drawer or else in some collector's possession for lo these many years, shown only to his friends and fellow collectors and venturing not into the wide world of commerce where they were originally struck to serve.

In not serving this purpose they remain as the Vestal Virgins of the world of commerce, unsullied and unstained and, in my thoughts, unfulfilled in not serving their ordained purpose. Oh, but not the circulated coin, it has served its purpose. It has been out in this cruel old world, and, as the "boys" would say, "It has been around," every ding,

scratch and rub mark is a "hash mark of service" and says "I have served."

Seriously, the romance of fantasizing where a coin has traveled, whose purse it has shared, and what troubles and joy it has seen conjures images of faraway places and times in the distant past. I hold in my hand as I write these lines a tetradrachma circa AD 268, struck in Alexandra, Egypt during the reign of the Emperor Gallienus. The coin is well worn, well traveled and one can only wonder what Legionnaire received this bit of bronze with a trace of silver as his pay, and what did he spend it on! Perhaps a night on the town in the company of some sloe-eyed Egyptian lady of the evening; perhaps wine for he and his mates - maybe he even spent it foolishly!

Here I hold a well-worn Flowing Hair dollar dated 1795 - a fine collector's piece even in its condition, but even more here is a coin that could well have been carried by George Washington or Jefferson - what all it has seen! What has transpired right under the skinny eagle's beak?

Lo, here's a Flying eagle cent - worn but still a handsome coin. Maybe it brought some Blue Belly's cut plug or rode in some Johnny Reb's pocket, for they used the coppers too, you know.

And here's a classy coin - an 1876 CC Trade dollar with several chop

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*The following article Six Flags Over Texas, fourth in a series by Bob Medlar, appeared in the October 1967 issue of TNA NEWS. The series is being reprinted as an appropriate addition to TNA's participation in the 1986 Texas Sesquicentennial celebration. — Editor.*

# SIX FLAGS OVER TEXAS



## Texas As A Republic — Part IV

R.E. (Bob) Medlar,  
San Antonio, Texas

Meetings were held, tempers and speeches waxed hot - the Anglo colonists of Texas resented the forces of Mexico, especially the Mexican troops comprised chiefly of rogues and convicts. As anxieties and incidents increased, what was once the voice of a few became the resolution of the entire Anglo populace, revolt against Mexico! Thus began the revolution in Texas.

Each soldier was to finance himself, that is, each man was expected to bring his own horse, bedroll, gun and ammunition. Each community did its best to help build and strengthen the army. Occasionally, in exchange for stock or supplies, a receipt was given acknowledging the acquisition. Although the receipts were not money, they were exchanged for other supplies by the recipients; thus, they were the fore-runners of millions of paper dollars

which were later circulated by the Republic. Scarcely had the sounds of cracking rifles and the shouts of "Remember the Alamo" and "Remember Goliad" died away before the governing body of Texas met a most difficult 10-year existence. With the battles over and the glories won, new demands arose - the pressing needs of credit and revenue.

By October 1835, after the first few months of the revolution, the Texas debt was \$374,300 and the needs of the Army were increasing. Until more permanent financial support could be arranged, William McKinney and his wealthy merchant partner, Samuel Williams, volunteered the financial services of their firm. On Oct. 22, 1835, a Finance Committee was organized and the first drafts were issued.

Loans from merchants and gifts from sympathetic cities such as New



Orleans, Nashville and Nacogdoches, plus the issuance of audited drafts were the main sources of money during the early days of the revolution. In comparison with the importance of the revolt, the actual cost of the war was trivial. Nevertheless, by the end of August 1836, the total debt was approximately \$1,250,000.

The drafts on the Provisional Government were issued from Washington-on-the-Brazos where the General Council met in early March 1836. Washington was soon evacuated ahead of the advancing Mexican Army, and they were issued from San Felipe-de-Austin, a much older community which had been a center of revolutionary efforts. The capitol was moved next to Velasco and drafts were again issued. Heretofore, all were handwritten on buff, pink or yellow paper, but from Velasco came the first printed drafts. Still later the capitol was moved to Columbia. Presumably due to uncertainty on the part of the printers, most drafts printed for issuance from Columbia did not show the city, instead it was entered in manuscript. The number of drafts issued by the Provisional Government or at Velasco or Columbia is not known.

Meanwhile, representatives of the government were sent to New Orleans, Mobile, Nashville, New York and Philadelphia to try to sell bonds and to obtain loans with which to finance the outstanding drafts and to meet current expenses. The only marketable asset in Texas was her

land. At first the government tried to mortgage land at 50¢ per acre. Second, the land was to be sold at the same price. Finally, in order to stimulate immigrants and to reward the veterans of the revolution, the government gave away the land in the form of headrights. These were traded and bartered, constituting a medium of exchange at about 50¢ per acre.

Nevertheless, the first paper money, as such, was the Star Notes which were issued in 1837 and January 1838. Only \$514,510 was issued, much of which was later refunded or redeemed. The notes, although containing Sam Houston's name, were signed for him by William G. Cooke, then a Treasury employee.

Although Texas was issuing these first notes, she continued to issue drafts, bonds, consolidated fund scrip and notes in great numbers. Creditors were paid in audited drafts issued from the seat of government, Houston, Austin, Washington and back to Austin. These drafts which were received by the merchants and factors (bankers) during the course of business were exchanged for currency, bonds, Consolidated Fund scrip or interest-bearing Consolidated Fund bonds. Confusing?? Yes, but it was a slowly failing attempt to keep afloat a public debt of \$7,000,000 which was impossible to pay. The notes, bonds, scrip, etc., were accepted reluctantly by the merchants at a ruinous discount. By late 1841, the currency substitutes were worth about two cents on the



dollar and were accepted, even at that low figure, only by speculators.

Further complicating the problems of the Texas Congress of the early 1840s was the issuance of municipal scrip by Houston, Austin, San Felipe, Velasco, Bastrop, Columbia, Matagorda and the private issues of Briscoe & Harris, Kelsey H. Douglass, R. Mills, the Nacogdoches Real Estate Deposit & Exchange Co., and others. Also, there were speculative land scrip by promoters and notes and bonds of cities and private firms of Louisiana, as well as those of Mobile, Philadelphia and cities in between. The notes were brought into Texas by the promoters who passed them for whatever they could obtain. The merchants and tradesmen in turn discounted all paper to the value published in the Houston or Galveston newspapers.

From what has been discussed, one can see that Texas had a fiscal mess on her hands in the early 1840s.

Since there was never sufficient funds to buy the gold, silver or copper necessary for coinage, there never were any coins of the Republic. The minutes of the various governing bodies never refer to any proposal for the striking of coins. Evidently, it was hard enough keeping the paper money presses running. Most of the coins that were passed in trade were from Mexico and the United States. Although in most instances commerce was conducted through barter and exchange, in larger transactions it was by letters of credit.

During President Sam Houston's first term of office some economy was practiced and the debts climbed slowly. At the close of his administration there was \$2,061,614.70 outstanding in audited claims, \$396,800 in military scrip and \$30,400 in land scrip, the latter two being in ten per cent stock. The total was slightly less than two and one half million dollars. Land scrip for 1,261,800 acres was also outstanding and which had to be considered at 50¢ per share for funding purposes.

Up to this time, December 11, 1838, Texas had issued audited drafts, star notes, government notes, change notes of two types, bonds and consolidated fund shares and certificates, plus land scrip. Municipal, county and private issues were also made to a limited extent.

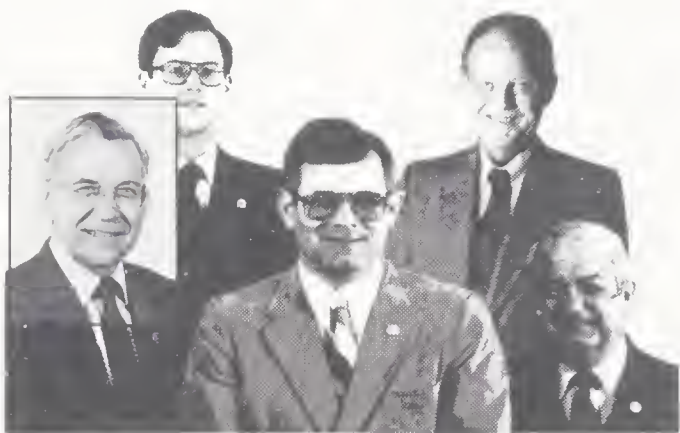
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# junior readin' roundup

Texas Numismatic Association

Robert Lacewell - Youth Chairman  
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This month's article will focus on coin shows, a most important aspect of our hobby. Coin shows or conventions are scheduled almost every week somewhere in the United States. Often you can find a couple in your local area, and you should try to attend every show you can.

Next to books, the bourse floor is the best source of education in our hobby. "Hands-on" experience, and direct contact with dealers, provides valuable lessons in dealing with rare coins. The contacts you make (and impressions you make on others) can be of great value in your future hobby dealings. Therefore, it is important to act in a mature, businesslike manner at these shows.

Listed below are a few important rules of conduct to follow when you attend a coin show:

## NUMISMATIC ETIQUETTE

1. Always wash your hands before and after dealing with coins. Dirt and grease from your hands can contaminate a coin and decrease its value. Likewise, dirt and bacteria from a coin could pose a health threat to you.
2. Never remove a coin from its holder before asking permission from the dealer. If you must hold the coin, hold it properly between thumb and forefinger above a protective tray.
3. Never smoke around coins, as the smoke will contaminate the surface of the coin, and cause a decrease in value. Likewise, do not talk directly over a coin that is not in a protective holder, as small amounts of saliva can react with a coin's surface and cause damage that results in a less valuable coin.
4. Be polite in your dealings with coin dealers, even if you disagree with them. Tell the dealer privately and quietly why you disagree, and try to work out a solution. Remember to praise in public, condemn in private!
5. Do your homework before the show. Know what you want and what you are will-

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# from the secretary

Texas Numismatic Association

Eleanor Kennady  
2901 Silverleaf Dr., Austin, TX. 78757  
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WELCOME to new members 4800-A-4804. If approved the following will become members Mar. 1, 1986.

4805 (D-5) Michael J. Plisowski, 17735 Windflower Way #107, Dallas, TX. 75252. Chris Johns.

4806 (D-10) Andrew J. Gnoza, 824 Marimba, El Paso, TX. 79912. Various Silver, U.S.A. Walt Woelper.

4807 (D-7) Leon L. Karpf, P.O. Box 6946, San Antonio, TX. 78209. Importers & Cutters of Diamonds. E. Kennady.

4808 (D-1) Dennis P. Carroll, P.O. Box 171029, Arlington, TX. 76003-1029. U.S. & Pioneer. Paul Garner.

4809 (D-10) Henry Gonzales, 421 Huerta St., El Paso, TX. 79905. All. Walt Woelper.

4810 (D-10) Donald L. Lau, Box 370253, El Paso, TX. 79937. U.S. Coins., Walt Woelper.

4811 (D-1) William J. Behnke, 104 SE Newton Dr., Burleson, TX. 76028. U.S. Coppers, TX. Currency, Type. E.L. "Bob" Bills.

4785 (D-12) Mrs. Jessie Lovett, 103 Cordelia, Lufkin, TX. 75901. E. Kennady.

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## **FEBRUARY 28-MARCH 1-2**

**INTERNATIONAL COIN CLUB**, annual coin show, Rodeway Inn, El Paso. **BOURSE:** A. Aranda P. Montes, Box 3535, El Paso 79923.

## **MARCH 9**

**GREATER PORT ARTHUR COIN CLUB**, annual show, Port Arthur Civic Center. **BOURSE:** Dewey Scott, Box 1324, Orange 77630.

## **MARCH 14-16**

**INTERCONTINENTAL COIN SHOW**, Airport Hilton Inn, Houston. **BOURSE:** Milton Dove, Box 92146, Houston 77206.

## **MARCH 15-16**

**GOLDEN SPREAD COIN CLUB, INC.**, spring show, Civic Center, Amarillo. Pam Tipton, 500 S. Virginia, Amarillo 79106. 806-372-8786.

## **MARCH 22-23**

**SOUTH PLAINS COIN CLUB**, KoKo Palace, Lubbock. **WRITE:** Norris Rumsey, Box 64118, Lubbock 79424, 806/794-2309.

## **MARCH 22-23**

**WACO COIN CLUB**, annual show, Waco Convention Center. **WRITE:** Club, Box 8014, Waco 76714-8014.

## **APRIL 12-13**

**GATEWAY COIN CLUB**, coin show, Sheraton Inn, 1400 Austin Hiway, San Antonio. **WRITE:** Club, Box 21087, San Antonio 78221-0089. 512/271-3429.

## **APRIL 19-20**

**CORPUS CHRISTI COIN CLUB**, Collector's Show, La Quinta Motor Hotel. **WRITE:** Club, Box 3191, Corpus Christi 78404.

## **MAY 9-11**

**OKLAHOMA NUMISMATIC ASSN.** annual convention. Details later.

## **MAY 23-25**

**TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSN.** convention, celebrating Texas Sesquicentennial, Tarrant County Convention Center, Fort Worth. **BOURSE:** R.E. Slocum, 6732 Fortune Rd., Fort Worth 76116. 817-737-5915.

## **MAY 31-JUNE 1**

**CAPITOL CITY COIN CLUB**, 14th annual coin show, Quality Inn South, Austin. **CONTACT:** Club, Box 33159, Austin 78764.

**MAY 31-JUNE 1**

**VICTORIA NUMISMATIC CLUB**, Annual Show. Details later.

**JUNE 7-8**

**GARLAND COIN CLUB**, annual show, Holiday Inn.

**AUGUST 29-31**

**DALLAS COIN CLUB**, annual coin show, Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza, Dallas. **CONTACT:** Ron Blaha, Box 7673, Dallas 75209.

**SEPTEMBER 6-7**

**SAN ANGELO COIN CLUB**, 26th annual show, Sheraton Hotel Ballroom. **BOURSE:** Fred Clark, 115 S. Chadbourne, San Angelo 76901, 915/653-4731.

**SEPTEMBER 27-28**

**AUSTIN COIN CLUB**, Quality Inn South. **WRITE:** Club, Box 1225, Austin 78767.

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**FUTURE**

**TNA CONVENTIONS**

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**1987 - March 27-29, TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSN. CONVENTION**, San Antonio.

**1988 - April 22-24, TEXAS NUMISMATIC ASSN. CONVENTION**, Houston.

ing to pay for a coin. This will save you and the dealer a lot of time.

6. Never be afraid to ask a dealer why he grades a coin a certain grade. His answer will probably be of great educational value to you. Remember, you can never learn too much!
7. It is acceptable to ask a dealer if he will accept a lower price on a coin, but do not insult the dealer with an unrealistic offer. Also, never press the issue, as the dealer knows how much he needs to cover his expenses and investment in the coin.
8. For security reasons take all badges and convention material off and put them in your pocket before leaving the bourse floor. Never advertise that you collect coins (except to promote the hobby!). Would-be thieves can spot a convention-goer a mile away!

Following these rules, and the rules of common sense, your experience at a coin show can be a valuable, rewarding, and educational one.

Remember, the Sesquicentennial is upon us. Let's celebrate our 150th Birthday with an attractive coin exhibit that will educate and attract others to our great hobby.

marks. What sea captain traded with what China merchant in some must "do-down" in Canton or Shanghai and what did it buy - silks, spices, tea or opium for the dens of San Francisco.

Here's a Liberty nickel dated 1899. We used to get these in change when I was a boy. What memories these evoke with their successor the Buffalo. The Saturday matinee, price five cents, or an ice cream soda a nickel - talk about nostalgia!

All of these thoughts simply reinforce my belief that there's an awful lot to say for the "circ coin" - a tremendous amount of fantasizing and romance to be gleamed from these culls of the gem collector's pile, and as long as there are collectors who practice their hobby for fun and pastime, the circulated coin will have a hallowed place in numismatics!

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## LAST CALL FOR AWARDS

*Morris L. Johnson,  
Stephenville, Texas*

Deadline for entries for the Club Salute and the Col. Darrah awards is drawing near.

For the Col. Darrah award, be sure all club members are listed whether or not a TNA member, along with their TNA membership number if

they are TNA members. Mail this to Eleanor Kennady, TNA Secretary, 2901 Silverleaf Dr., Austin 78757, no later than March 7. The secretary will verify membership standing in TNA. Awards will be given, one for each five (5) clubs entering.

Refer to this and past issues of the **TNA NEWS** as to how to submit your club entry for the Club Salute awards.

Good luck and see you in Ft. Worth.

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## MILLION DOLLAR WEEKEND

Thousands of visitors to the Guardian Safe Deposit in Arlington, Va. found out what a million dollars worth of silver bullion looks like.

The Million Dollar Weekend featured a raffle of silver ingots and other valuable prizes for the benefit of the Ronald McDonald House in Washington, D.C. It also gave visitors the rare opportunity of getting their pictures taken with a one million dollar silver bullion display weighing over one half ton.

All proceeds from the raffle of the silver were donated to the Ronald McDonald House, a home-away-from-home for over 1,000 out-of-town families who have stayed there while their seriously ill children have undergone treatment in local hospitals.

# TEXAS

## District Meetings

### DISTRICT I —

Members of **Stephenville Coin Club** gathered at **Red Bandana Steak House** for the annual holiday party. Twenty nine attended the festivities. An auction of 25 lots highlighted the evening. - **Lorene Randals, Sec.**



**Morris Johnson**  
Governor

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### DISTRICT III —

Announcement has been made of the September 6-7 coin show hosted by **San Angelo Coin Club** at the **Sheraton Hotel ballroom**. This will mark the 26th annual show for the club.

Bourse chairman is **Fred Clark**, 115 S. Chadbourne, San Angelo 76901, 915-653-4731.



**Dick Dollen**  
Governor

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### DISTRICT V —

**Dallas Coin Club** has issued more details on their summer coin show. It will be held August 29-31 at **Holiday Inn Crowne Plaza**, 4099 Valley View Lane. Contact **Ron Blaha**, show chairman, P.O. Box 7673, Dallas 75209.



**Paul Garner**  
Governor

**John Rowe** presented a program on the **Amon Carter numismatic collection** at the holiday party at **Central Expressway Inn**.

New officers include **Ben Hong**, president; **Ron Blaha**, vice president; and **Tom Ragsdale**, secretary/treasurer. **Ben Hong's** program in March "Odd, Strange & Curious Money" took top honors as the best program of 1985. - **Ron Blaha, Sec.**

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**Garland Coin Club** elected new officers and are: **Frank Clark**, president; **Randy Borland**, vice president; **Norman Morgan**, secretary/treasurer; **Alfred Bromberg**, and **Ray Holt**, directors.

At the regular meeting, **Paul Garner** gave a program on chopmarked coins. He showed slides of coins



from his collection as well as the origins of the chops. - **Timothy N. Lee, Sec.**

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#### **DISTRICT VI —**

Graves Rouse of Victoria spoke to members of **Rice Belt Coin Club** of El Campo concerning projects celebrating the Texas 1986 Sesquicentennial. He gave suggestions to the group of 16 about programs and other activities.

The club, meeting at Commercial State Bank, has set up a club library. - **Grace Vaclavick, Sec.**

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Mike Levinson passed out books authored by the late Bill Logan at the **Greater Houston Coin Club** meeting and announced that Logan's widow wanted the club to have the books. Mr. Logan died in October 1985.

During the business session, Al Loja was named general chairman for the 30th annual Money Show (1987) and Don Sandros joined the club.

Members met at First Unitarian Church for the annual holiday party. - **Club Bulletin.**

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**Bellaire Coin Club** held its annual holiday party with 64 members and guests in attendance. Games

with numismatic prizes formed the evening's entertainment after the holiday dinner.

Regular meetings were held January 6 and 30. - **Club Bulletin.**

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#### **DISTRICT VII —**

Tom Walker was in charge of the January 2 program of **Gateway Coin Club** of San Antonio held at Wyatt's Cafeteria. Tom gave an introduction to ancient coin collecting and told of the many good reference books in this field.

At the January 16 meeting Freeman Craig was to continue his presentation on English coinage with "Five Centuries of English Shillings, 1485-1970." It was to cover the House of Stuart and include the Commonwealth period.

A brief discussion was held on the April 12-13 coin show at Sheraton Inn on Old Austin Hiway. - **Mike Greenspan, Gatepost Editor.**



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## DISTRICT VIII —

January 7 was announced as the first meeting in 1986 for members of **Corpus Christi Coin Club** at which time the president of the **Corpus Christi Stamp Club** was to be the speaker.

Past programs included Rick Keese, president of the C.C. Exploration Club who explained the use of metal detectors, why and how to use the different attachments. He demonstrated how to use the machine and displayed some items he had found. At a previous meeting, Joe Davis talked on the pros & cons of coin dealers serving as club officers.

Thirty seven attended the holiday party at Nolan's Surrey & Sirloin. - **Club Bulletin**.

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## DISTRICT IX —

The 26th anniversary coin show sponsored by **South Plains Coin Club** will take place March 22-23 at Koko Palace in Lubbock. Norris Rumsey is show chairman and can be contacted at P.O. Box 64118, Lubbock 79424, 806/794-2309.

The club holiday party was held at



Joe B. Davis  
Governor



E. L. Pitzer  
Governor

The Koko Palace with 29 present. New officers were installed and include Norris Rumsey, president; Wally Borchardt, vice president; Carl Roberson, secretary. TNA certificates of achievement were presented all members who gave programs in 1985.

The Outstanding Club Member of the Year award was a tie - Rumsey and Borchardt. An auction of donated items was held and all proceeds went to "Meals on Wheels." - **E.L. Pitzer, Gov. Dist. 9.**

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## DISTRICT X —

Bill Driscoll, special agent with the Secret Service, was guest speaker at the **El Paso International Coin Club** meeting. He outlined the history of the Treasury Department and the duties and responsibilities of the Department and the Secret Service. Driscoll showed examples of counterfeit currency, from well-done copies to newsprint copies.

K-Bob's was the scene for the annual dinner party with Jim Thomas in charge of reservations. An auction is held on the first Thursday of each month. - **Club Bulletin**.

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## DISTRICT XI —

Officers for 1986 have been announced by Golden Spread Coin Club, Inc. of Amarillo. Serving as president is Curtis Maple; Linda Caylor, 1st vice president; Darrell Tipton, 2nd vice president; Louis Fleming, treasurer. Nela Runkle is serving as secretary for a short period before she and Francis re-locate in Houston. An appointee will fill the vacancy.



Nela Runkle  
Governor

The auction netted \$400 which was dispersed to several charity organizations.

The holiday dinner was attended by 52 members and guests and was held at the Cattle Call Restaurant. - **Club Bulletin & Nela Runkle, Gov. Dist. 11.**

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## DISTRICT XIV —

Installation of new officers and a social evening was planned by **Hidalgo Coin Club** of the Rio Grande Valley in celebration of the club's 25th anniversary. Plans were completed at the December meeting for the party on January 8.

Fred Brooks was appointed to serve as ANA club representative



Ada Lee Chisum  
Governor

and Ed Bruner gave a brief history of coal mining in Pennsylvania. - **Ada Lee Chisum, Gov. Dist 14.**

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## DISTRICT XV —

Ed White will serve **Greater Orange Coin Club** as president in 1986 assisted by Sidney King, vice president; Becky Scott, secretary; and Dewey L. Scott, treasurer.



Dewey L. Scott  
Governor

Jerry Williams was in charge of the evening's program discussing various items of interest as: smallest coin ever made in U.S. in weight - 3-cent silver; heaviest coin ever made in U.S. in weight - Trade dollar; smallest coin ever made in U.S. in diameter - \$1 gold.

The annual Christmas party was held at Western Choice Restaurant in Orange. - **Becky Scott, Sec.**

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Information on the **Greater Port Arthur Coin Club's** annual coin show has been released. The show will be held March 9 at the Port Arthur Civic Center, Hiway 73. Dewey Scott is bourse chairman. Write him at Box 1324, Orange 77630.

The club now is meeting in the Media Room of the new Jefferson County Airport.

Jim Eldridge gave a program based on an article from the October

issue of **The Numismatist** entitled "What is in a Name?" According to the article and to Jim, "we're now numismatists and not coin collectors anymore." He also told about people who collect checks, paper money, stocks, bonds and other printed items. It was also noted that coins have an obverse and a reverse, but paper money has a front and a back. - Lisa Stein, Acting Sec.

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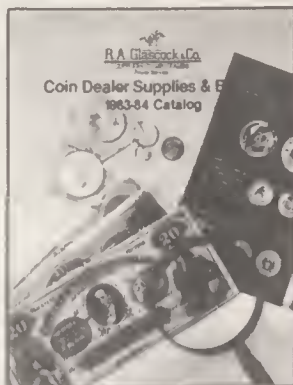


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